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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT and AMENDMENT "A"

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INVENTION: METHOD AND DEVICE TO OFFSET STACK PAGES OF

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement under 35 USC §121 dated January 30, 2008, Applicant hereby elects, for purposes of further prosecution, the invention of Group I (claims 1-31) drawn to the method and device.

In the action, the Examiner imposed an Election Requirement (presumably under 37 CFR 1.146) in addition to the Restriction Requirement as to claim Group I or II (presumably under 37 CFR 1.142). In response to the Election Requirement, Applicant elects Group III wherein the pressure is mechanically exerted. The claims directed to the elected invention include claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 29, and 30.

Amend the claims of above-identified application as shown beginning on page 2.

Remarks are presented beginning on page 8.